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Absence Doosn't Always Make the Heart Grow Fonder.

A dinner at the Van Ogdens'. Reggy Westend (to himself)—Here's a sell! They've given me the stupidest girl in the whole room. I wonder who the little darling on my left is. Something dencedly familiar about the back of her neck. I wish she'd turn her face this way. By Jove! (Aloud.) Mae! Miss Carbart! What a lucky duffer I am! Miss Carbart (coolly)-Mr. Westend, I

Beggy—You believe? Oh, say, that's good. Have you really forgotten me, or are you just angry because I haven't called? I couldn't, you know. I've been away. Been out west, across the pond, down the Mediterranean, Alaska, Calcutta, Buenos

Ayres, Japan, Norway, all over the place.

Miss Carbart (languidly)—And why did you come back?

Reggy-Really had to; found I couldn's live without you. Even the desert of Sahara was a barren waste. Yearned for boy-hood's happy home and old friends, you know. Aren't you delighted to see me? Miss Carbart (with forced politeness)—I am charmed. Tell me some more about

Reggy-You don't act charmed. That ce maiden business reminds me of the first time I ever tried to kiss you. Ah, I'm com-ing up some evening this week to talk over those old Spoon lake days.

Miss Carhart (biting her lip)-Well really, I am out so much Reggy (cheerfully)—Oh, yes, of course, to other fellows, but you won't be to me. Gad! I often think of Spoon lake. Never had such a jolly time since. Awfully gone little girl, ch? And I was head over heels in love myself. Never were engaged, though,

Miss Carhart (raising her voice)-And so

you spent six months in Italy? (In a lower tone.) I should hope not. Reggy—Who said anything about Italy? You didn't "hope not" once. Neither did I. I was quite in earnest. Oh, you needn't lift your eyebrows! I was, I assure you. Miss Carbart—Yes, I like "Americans Abroad" better than "Aristocracy." Reggy — Bother "Americans Abroad!"

What's the matter with you, Mae? I don't know what to make of you. You used to be the sweetest and most friendly little girl. Never knew any one so affectionate. Awfully changed now. Perhaps you don't like my beard? I'll shave it off. If I could touch your hand just once under the table! Here's mine, dear.

Miss Carbart-Oh, the acting is much Reggy-What acting? Oh, Mae, how can

you be so cruel! Let us kiss and be friends again. "Should old flirtations be forgot," you know. Your heart was all mine once. Why can't I have a little corner of it now? Miss Carhart—Yes, we still live on the corner. (In a whisper.) Oh, hush; do hush! Reggy—What for? Mrs. Van Ogden knows what spoons-

Miss Carbart (desperately)-Do be quiet: I'm engaged if you must know it! Reggy-Engaged! By Jove! And to

Miss Carhart (bitterly)-To the man on

the other side of me. And he has very good Reggy-O-h-er-I say, you know. Awfully sorry! All a joke; never met you be-fore! Mistook you for Miss-er-Miss-er-Miss Wabash of Chicago. Deucedly pretty

Looks just like you. Beastly blun-Miss Carhart-A horrible blunder! Guides are so careless. If he had let you fall into that crevasse on the Matterborn!
Reggy (fervently)—Ey Jove, I wish be
had!—Harry Romaine in Life.

They sat late by the flickering firelight. Her head was nestled on his heaving and manly bosom, and softly his arm stole round her yielding waist.

The law takes no cognizance of this class

Nobaly does, if proper precautions are observed, except the two interested parties Oh. love!

Oh, rapture He had told her the sweet words over and over again, and she had coyly cooed them

back to him. A step was heard in the ball. That is to say, it was heard by the girl.

The young man heard nothing except the beating of a fond heart. "George," she murmured, "what would you do to show your love for your little

Ethelrida! "Dearest," he responded fervently, "any-thing, everything. I would willingly, oh, so willingly, suffer any pain for you."

"Are you sure, George?" she asked, with the insistence of doubt. "Sure as the stars do shine, darling."

Again that step.
"Then, George," she said, with a little sob, "get ready, for papa's coming." And the craven coward skipped. - Detroit



"Say, doc, afore ye begin on that air tooth to pull it jes' take these byur tools 'em whar I can't git my han's on m."-Harper's Bazar.

Tommy Was Hungry. An old hidy who is very much of a bore paid a visit to a family on Madison avenue. She prolonged her stay and finally said to

one of the children: "I'm going away directly. Tommy, and I wan't you to go part of the way with in."
"Can't doit. We are going to have dinner as soon as you leave." re; ited Tommy. -Texas Siftings.

An Abstruse Calculator.

"What's the matter," said one young man to another. "You look as if you had a good deal ou your mind."

"I have. I'm trying to fi, u e how many times I'd have to walk to at d from the office to make up for that sleigh ride I took hast night."-Washington Star.

Painfully Evident.

"Really, my husband doesn't know one ote from another. Fir" Hamilton-I noticed that ween I prosented him with one that was overdus Chicago Inter Ocean.

How to lie Happy. Old Gent—On the eve of your marriage let me give you a piece of advice. Remem-ber when your wife's next birthday comes and give her a handsome present.

Young Man-Yes, of course. "Give her the best your pocket can buy every birthday, but at Christmas, New Year's and such times give her only inexpensive little tokens. Form that habit." Yes, but why?"

"It will pay. "I presume so." "Yes. In a few years you can begin to forget the birthdays, and she won't say a word."—New York Weikly.

Word."—New York Weikly.



Miss Summit-I invited some of my girl friends around last night, and we had a delightful card party.

Dashaway-Yes, I passed the house during the evening. You were playing whist. Miss Summit-Why, Mr. Dashaway, how

did you guess? Dashaway-You were making so much noise.-Truth.

Logical.

Mrs. Bloomfield-I hear that Mr. Moremud has married Miss Trivvett. She's blind, you know. Isn't it a pity?
Mr. Bloomfield—Isn't what a pity? fact that she is married?

"That she is blind, of course. But it is a good thing Mr. Moremud fell in love with the Church of the Heavenly Spire on Madher. He's so rich and able to take care of ison avenue next Sunday evening, she her. It seems so unselfish, too, for a man thought she could safely ask Jack to accomto marry a woman afflicted like that, yet it pany her. is much better for a blind man to marry a woman with good eyesight than to mate with a blind woman, and it is better for the deaf and dumb to marry the hearing and seeing than to marry those afflicted like themselves.'

"Because one can supply the deficiencies of the other and so be of assistance to each

"Well, I don't think so. I think a blind man ought to marry a blind woman." "So as to reduce the amount of suffering

in the world. "How would intermarriage of blind peo

"Just in this way. When a man and woman marry, the two become one. Re-duces the number of blind people 50 per See?"-Pittsburg Chronicle Tele

No Delay.

The Philadelphia Record tells of a carpenter who was sent to make a new door for a house about five minutes' walk from his employer's store, but forgot his foot rule. A little thing like that, however, didn't disconcert bim. He was a big fellow, so he spread his enormous arms and found he could just reach from the door step to the top of the structure With his arms outstretched he ran toward the carpenter's store, and meeting a fellow em ployee shouted, "Don't stop me, Tom; I've got the size of the door between my two hands!"

A Juvenile Edison.

Mrs. Wayback-That weather vane that peddler sold you ain't worth shucks. It don't point toward the wind at all. It points just the other way.

Mr. Wayback-By jinks, that's so. Th' wind is from the south, and that tin rooster points north, sure as guns. Little Son-I'll tell you how to fix it, pop. Take it down and cut it into the shape

of a cow. Cows always turn tail to the wind.-Good News.

The Hardship of Labor. Pat-Ye'll have to get a new night watchman, sorr. Ol'll be lavin yez Satur-

Eank President-Why, what's the mat-Pat-Shure, this place is on a strate where there's so many noises at night Oi chair,-Good News. can't get me slape. - Truth.

Not For Him to Say. "Here, waiter-quick! Something to eat

-and look sharp!"
"Yessir. What'll you have, sir?" "Oh, anything-I don't care. Chop or

steak-whatever you like." "You must excuse me, sir; but I don't feel called upon to decide."-Punch.

He Was Out. Visitor-Is Mr. Jinks in? Flunkey-Mrs. Links is out of town. "I didn't ask for hers. Jinks. I asked for brother a kodak .- Vogue.

"Certainly, but Mr. Jinks is never in when Mrs. Jinks is out of town."-Texas Siftings.

Great Fun For Them. "There isn't much fun in trying to do two things at once."

"Perhaps you haven't noticed women playing whist and going over the neighbor-

hood gossip at the same time."-Westfield

Hopes. Hardup-The amount of your bill, doctor. has made me feel quite ill. Doctor (gleefully)-Has it, sir! Then I s pose you will want me to attend you ofessionally again!-Tit-Dits.

Not Truly Brave. Oh, fiercely fought he in the warn! His courage oft was noted.

And three times he for gallantry
Was honored and promoted.

Where bullets flew as thick as fleas And almost as annoying.
Well to the front, he bore the brunt
When death with men was toying.

The shrick of shells no terror brought, Though comrades fast were talling: He stood alone in trenches strewn With carnage most appalling

He smiled on death with a scoratar smile, And fear and be were strangers. When blood flowed free he lattered in gice. Found food for mirth in dangers. Yet now his noble courage fails -His heart is near to stopping-It shakes his nerves when his wife observes.

"John, come with me a-shopping."
- Until Tribuna

CHIPPER CHESTNUTS.

Queer, isn't it? The man with a cool million gets a warm reception wherever be

goes.—Buffale Courier. If any eyclones have designs on Chicago, they will confer a favor upon many worthy nonresidents by getting in their work as quickly as possible.—Kansas City Journal.

The man who should invent a machine so that people could drop a penny in the slot and pick out a name for the baby would surely make a fortune-it would

There is this good to be said of the silver dollar. If a man sees one lying in the street, he won't pass it for 65 cents. - Philadelphia Times.

The reason the piano is such a sympa-thetic instrument is because it is greatly touched every time it is played.—Rochester Democrat. The well bred man is nowhere so certain

Troy Press. When a child wants a favor from his parents, he asks his father's permission and ells his mother he is going to do it. - Atchion Globe.

of his standing as in a crowded street car.-

"This is not altogether the kind of a house I counted on," said a suburban resident, showing his new residence to a friend, "but the architect says it suits him."-Philadelphia Record.

"I've got the drop on you," said the ink bottle to the new carpet.—Rochester Chron-

A German student has estimated that it cost Columbus about \$7,500 to come over here and discover us. It was worth every cent of the investment.—Philadelphia Led

Equally Correct.

He had taken her to the opera, to the theater, to dances, concerts and receptions, but never alone.

She had always included in her acceptance of his numerous invitations the prim provise that she should be allowed to bring a chaperon, for she "never went anywhere without one."

Now, however, she felt that she was get ting to know him very well, and as she was greatly desirous of hearing Bishop Heavystone of Northern Nova Zembla preach at

Jack had never fancied the chaperon act In fact, it had wearied him exceedingly, but he had never dared to protest against it. But when he received her invitation he saw a chance to give her a gentle hint of his gain shops." sentiments on the subject; so Lesent her an immediate reply written in her own sweet

My DEAR MISS PROPER-It was ever so kind of you to think of me, and I shall be greatly charmed to accept your delightful invitation for next Sunday evening. I presume, of course, that you will have no objection to my bringing my mother? Yours sincerely,

JACK BYRDINGTON.

-Harry Romaine in Brooklyn Life.

He Was Right.

The story of the rich man's selling all be had and giving it to the poor was the subject of discussion in a certain Sunday school class not long ago. The teacher was illustrating the moral that the lesson conveys. One of her most attentive listeners was a little fellow scarcely 6 years old, but as bright as a dollar and with a tongue that uses the queen's English in a manner that would make that motherly old soul squirm if she heard it. "Now," said the teacher very impressively, "if a man is fortunate enough to make \$1,000,000 in the course of his life, it is his duty to give half of it at least to the poor." "Yes," interrupted a prim little girl in one corner, "but how many men make \$1,000,000 in the course of their lives!" There was a silence for a moment, when the little fellow chirped in with the caustic answer, "Darn few."-Utica Observer.

Not Interesting to Her.

Husband-You have been worrying me for five years because you were not as well dressed as Mrs. Nexdoor. Wife-Well?

"Well, he's failed-can't pay his debta." "Did he owe you anything

"Humph! I can't see what that has to

Where They Sit. Mother-Don't you know better then to put your feet on the soft? Look at the mud. Suppose some one should come in

and sit down on it? Small Son-This is the night Mr. Nicefello comes to see sis, and they never sit on the sofa. They always sits on the rocking

Anything to Oblige.

Fortune Teller-Let me read your fortune, lady. I can find out your future husband. Lady-I already have a husband.

Fortune Teller-If you'd like to have him

found out, can do that too .- Indianapolis Journal.

Dangerous. Tom-How is it you don't call on Miss Fitz any more? Jack-She recently bought her little

Not an Applicant. Mrs. Dogood-Did you know that satan finds work for idle hands to do?

Dusty Rhodes—I don't want to do no

work. See!-Truth. Too Late.

He (passionately)-My love, Geraldine, is like the rose in your hair. It is— She—Artificial.—Tit-Bits.

A Sad Tale.

"Why, what's the matter with the boy?" "I wuz a seein how many animals "om my Noah's ark I could hold in my 1 .t', an I've been an awa:lered a giraffe an a

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